

1.30 Cheltenham Supreme Novices' (Grade 1) (4yo+) 2m2½f £71,188 20 run Heavy

RAG Race Status:

AMBER

PRIMARY TRENDS

The last eight winners...

Age five (4w,10pl) or Six (4w,5pl)

Officially rated 142+

Up to nine career starts

Last run in a Novices hurdle

Seven of the last eight winners...

French (4w,6pl) or Irish (3w,7pl) bred

SP up to 12/1

Won one of their last three starts

One/two starts in the last 90 days

Two or more wins left handed

Running within 60 days

First two last time out

SHORTLIST

Race card order –

Getabird, Kalashnikov, Mengli Khan, Paloma Blue, Sharjah and Summerville Boy

SECONDARY TRENDS

6 of the last 8 winners...

Four (3w,5pl) or five (3w,3pl) runs in season

Had run in a Grade 1 contest

Last run Leopardstown (2w,4pl), Newbury (1w,3pl), Kempton (1w,2pl), Punchestown (1w,2pl) or Ascot (1w,1pl)

Trainer Check:

W Mullins (3w,3pl), N Henderson (1w,8pl)

Last 24 Win and place positions...

24 No more than nine career starts

23 Age five or six

Won one of their last two starts

22 SP up to 14/1

Key Race Log (At the Cheltenham Festival 2010 – 2017)

| Class | Race | Track | Win | Pl | 2017/18 Season Result | | |
|---------|----------------------|--------------|-----|----|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Grade 1 | Deloitte Hdl | Leopardstown | 2 | 1 | 1. Samcro | 2. Duc De Genievres | 3. Paloma Blue |
| Grade 2 | Moscow Flyer Hdl | Punchestown | 1 | 2 | 1. Getabird | 2. Mengi Khan | 3. Carter McKay |
| Grade 3 | Betfair Hdl | Newbury | | 3 | 1. Kalashnikov | 2. Bleu Et Rouge | 3. Spiritofthegames |
| Grade 1 | Future Champions Hdl | Leopardstown | | 2 | 1. Whiskey Sour | 2. Le Richebourg | 3. Hardline |

Trainers – Novice Hurdles (At the Cheltenham Festival 2014 – 2017)

| Trainer | Runs | Wins | Win % | P/L | Win/Places | W+PL % | Declared |
|-----------|------|------|-------|--------|------------|--------|----------------------|
| W Mullins | 47 | 7 | 14.89 | -11.89 | 13 | 27.66 | Getabird and Sharjah |
| G Elliott | 10 | 1 | 10 | 16.00 | 4 | 40 | Mengli Khan |

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| N Henderson | 22 | 1 | 4.55 | -17.00 | 6 | 27.27 | Claimantakinforan |
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Trends Tapping

| | Runs | Wins | Win% | P/L | Win/Places | W+PL% | |
|------------------------------|------|------|-------|--------|------------|-------|-------------------|
| Favourites (8yrs) | 10 | 2 | 20 | -2.50 | 6 | 60 | 3/4/7/2/9W/W/2/42 |
| Headgear (8yrs) | 8 | 0 | 0 | -8.00 | 1 | 12.50 | //03/PP/0/0/8/5 |
| Irish Trained Runners (4yrs) | 25 | 3 | 12 | 8.50 | 7 | 28 | |
| GB Trained Runners (4yrs) | 33 | 1 | 3.03 | -28.00 | 5 | 15.15 | |
| GB bred (4yrs) | 20 | 0 | 0 | -20 | 2 | 10 | |
| Irish bred (4yrs) | 23 | 1 | 4.35 | -18.00 | 4 | 17.39 | |
| French bred (4yrs) | 14 | 3 | 21.43 | 19.50 | 6 | 42.86 | |
| Age five/six (4yrs) | 50 | 4 | 8 | -11.50 | 12 | 24 | |
| Age seven or older | 8 | 0 | 0 | -8.00 | 0 | 0 | |



| | Surface (Undulating to Very Undulating) | | | Going (Soft/ Soft to Heavy/ Heavy) | | | Distance (1m7 ½ f to 2m½f) | | | Class (Grade 1) | | | Direction (Left Handed) | | |
|------------------------|---|------|------|---|------|------|-------------------------------|------|------|--------------------|------|------|----------------------------|------|------|
| | Races | Wins | Plcs | Races | Wins | Plcs | Races | Wins | Plcs | Races | Wins | Plcs | Races | Wins | Plcs |
| All starts | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Getabird | 3 | 3 | | 2 | 2 | | 3 | 3 | | | | | | | |
| Kalashnikov | | | | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 4 | |
| Mengli Khan | 2 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 1 | | 4 | 3 | |
| Paloma Blue | 3 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| Sharjah | 2 | 2 | | 4 | 2 | | 4 | 2 | | 2 | 0 | | 2 | 0 | |
| Summerville Boy | 2 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 4 | 1 | 3 |

Pace

- Pace Profits:** - Advantage for those ridden up with the pace or racing prominently.
- Early Pace:** - Paloma Blue, Getabird, Golden Jeffrey, Lostintranslation, Dame Rose and Khudha
- Prominent:** - Debuchet, Slate House and Us And Them

Final Analysis

Plenty queuing up to have a go at the favourite **GETABIRD** but his wins on soft at Gowran Park in January last year before comeback wins at Punchestown on heavy and a win in the Grade 2 Moscow Flyer hurdle at Punchestown are all pretty solid performances.

Kalashnikov is a concrete each-way selection along with **Summervilleboy** who will both go on the surface and have decent form the the Grade 1 Tolworth hurdle in January on heavy ground at Sandown.

Mengli Khan is talented but a complete head case rather like the trainers' Supreme winner last year Labaik and a market watch is advised.

Selection: **Getabird@7/4**

Each-Way Selection: **Kalashnikov@9/2** **Summerville Boy@10/1**

4.50 Cheltenham National Hunt Novices' Chase (Amateur Riders') (Grade 2) (5yo+) £74,950 4m Heavy 18 runners

RAG Race Status: **RED**

PRIMARY TRENDS

The last eight winners...

Age between six and nine

SP up to 16/1

Won left handed

First five last time out

Seven of the last eight winners...

Officially rated 139+

First two in their last three starts

Running within 90 days

Top seven in the betting

SHORTLIST

Race card order –

Duel At Dawn, Jury Duty, Keeper Hill, Mossback, No Comment and Ms Parfois

SECONDARY TRENDS

6 of the last 8 winners...

Age six or seven

Up to five starts in the season

Last ran in a novice chase

First three last time out

Trainer Check: G Elliott (3w), W Mullins (1w, 3pl)

Last 24 Win and place positions...

23 Age between six and nine

22 First three in one of their last three starts

21 Officially rated 136+

Key Race Log (At the Cheltenham Festival 2010 – 2017)

| Class | Race | Track | Win | Pl | 2017/18 Season Result | | |
|--------------|---------------------|--------------|------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------------|------------------|
| Grade 2 | Ten Up Novice Chase | Navan | | 4 | 1. Monbeg Notorious | 2. Mossback | 3. Moulin A Vent |

Trainers – Novice Chase (At the Cheltenham Festival 2014 – 2017)

| Trainer | Runs | Wins | Win % | P/L | Win/Places | W+PL % | Declared |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|------------|-------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|
| W Mullins | 25 | 6 | 24 | -9.45 | 13 | 52 | Pylonthepressure and Rathvinden, |
| N Henderson | 13 | 2 | 15.38 | -7.25 | 6 | 46 | Reigning Supreme |
| G Elliott | 7 | 2 | 28.57 | 19 | 2 | 28.57 | Jury Duty and Mossback |

Trends Tapping

| | Runs | Wins | Win% | P/L | Win/Places | W+PL% | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Favourites (8yrs) | 8 | 3 | 37.50 | 7.25 | 3 | 37.50 | 5/1/1/1/9/0/4/5 |
| Headgear (8yrs) | 46 | 2 | 4.35 | -20.00 | 7 | 15.22 | |
| Irish Trained Runners (4yrs) | 21 | 2 | 9.52 | 5.00 | 6 | 28.57 | |
| GB Trained Runners (4yrs) | 49 | 2 | 4.08 | -31.00 | 6 | 12.24 | |
| GB bred (4yrs) | 12 | 1 | 8.33 | -3.00 | 2 | 16.67 | |
| Irish bred (4yrs) | 47 | 2 | 4.26 | -21.00 | 8 | 17.02 | |
| French bred (4yrs) | 9 | 0 | 0 | -9.00 | 1 | 11.11 | |
| Age between five and seven (4yrs) | 42 | 3 | 7.14 | -7.00 | 8 | 19.05 | |
| Age eight and older (4yrs) | 28 | 1 | 3.57 | -19.00 | 4 | 14.29 | |



| | Surface (Undulating to Very Undulating) | | | Going (Soft/ Soft to Heavy/ Heavy) | | | Distance (3m7f) | | | Class (Grade 2) | | | Direction (Left Handed) | | |
|---------------------|---|------|------|---|------|------|--------------------|------|------|--------------------|------|------|----------------------------|------|------|
| | Races | Wins | Plcs | Races | Wins | Plcs | Races | Wins | Plcs | Races | Wins | Plcs | Races | Wins | Plcs |
| All starts | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Duel At dawn | 4 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 2 | | | | 1 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 3 |
| Jury Duty | 10 | 2 | 5 | 10 | 3 | 5 | | | | 3 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 5 |
| Keeper Hill | 2 | 0 | | 3 | 2 | | | | | 1 | 1 | | 8 | 3 | 1 |
| Mossback | 7 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 3 | | | | | 1 | 0 | | 5 | 1 | 1 |
| No Comment | 6 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 2 | | | | 2 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 3 |
| Ms Parfois | 3 | 2 | | 9 | 5 | | | | | 2 | 0 | | 10 | 6 | |

Pace

- Pace Profits:** - No distinct advantage
- Early Pace:** - Sizing Tennessee, Impulsive Star, Mossback
- Prominent:** - Pylonthepressure, Duel At Dawn and Ms Parfois

Final Analysis

I do like the chances of the Gordon Elliott pair **Jury Duty** solid and consistent on three runs on similar ground in Graded contests since November and **Mossback** ½L behind Monbeg Notorious in the Grade 2 Ten up Novice chase at Navan. **Ms Parfois** and **No Comment** are the best of the rest shortlisted.

EW Selection: **Jury Duty@6/1**

Mossback@6/1

Smaller EW Selection: Ms Parfois@7/1

No Comment@9/1